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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Attached please find Form PTO-1449 together with the reference as stated in the specification.

- Japanese Patent Laid-Open No. 2002-263900 as discussed on Page 2 of the specification. No translation is available at this time, however, attached is an English language abstract.

The following references have been cited in the International Phase of the above-identified application.

- EP 1 240 999 A1 discloses a press forming machine. The reference has been cited under Category A as being relevant to International claims 1 - 6. Further, Applicant wishes to bring to the attention of the Examiner the corresponding U.S. Patent Application Publication 2002/0170337 A1 and the corresponding Japanese Patent Laid-Open No. 2002-263900 which

has been previously cited above.

- JP 53-80868 discloses a mechanical press for working long materials. The reference has been cited under Category A as being relevant to International claims 1 - 6. No translation is available at this time, however, attached is an English language abstract.

- Microfilm of the specification and drawings annexed to the request of Japanese Utility Model Application No. 5861/1981 (Laid-Open No. 122800/1982). The reference has been cited under Category A as being relevant to International claims 1 - 6. No translation is available at this time.

- CD-ROM of the specification and drawings annexed to the request of Japanese Utility Model Application No. 49143/1993 (Laid-Open No. 21299/1995) discloses a press-ram structure in press equipment. The reference has been cited under Category A as being relevant to International claims 1 - 6. Applicant attaches a translation of JP 7-21299.

Consideration of the above references is requested.

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	<u>EP 1 240 999 A1</u>	<u>Sept. 18, 2002</u>	<u>Europe</u>			<u>Yes</u>
	<u>JP 53-080868</u>	<u>July 17, 1978</u>	<u>Japan</u>			<u>No</u>
	<u>JP 57-122800</u>	<u>July 30, 1982</u>	<u>Japan</u>			<u>No</u>
	<u>JP 7-21299</u>	<u>April 18, 1995</u>	<u>Japan</u>			<u>Yes</u>

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